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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Synthes (U.S.A.) hereby states that it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest of the above-identified application. An assignment from the inventors to Synthes (U.S.A.) was recorded on October 12, 2006 and assigned Reel/Frame No. 018382/0836.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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